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APPLICANT: Jan Raa et al.

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SERIAL NO: 09/854,968

) Group Art Unit: 1653

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) Examiner: A. Mohamed

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TITLE: Bioactive Peptides, Uses Thereof, and Process for the
Production of Same

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION TO ACCEPT AMENDMENT FILED WITH ERRONEOUS IDENTIFICATION
INFORMATION**

Sir:

Pursuant to the telephone conversation with Ms. Davena Williams, Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment filed on December 23, 2002, together with a Request for Extension for three months and a check in the amount of \$460 for a three-month extension, be accepted by the United States Patent & Trademark Office in this application.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge deposit account no. 12-0400 in the amount of \$460 for any extension fees that may be necessary.

The following facts and evidence are submitted in support of this Petition.

- 1) On December 23, 2002, Applicants, through their representative, filed an Amendment to the Office Action dated June 25, 2002. The Amendment had an

erroneous serial number identifying an incorrect application. A copy of the Transmittal and first page of the Amendment is attached as Exhibit 1.

2) Together with the Amendment, a Request for a Three-Month Extension, extending the period for response until December 28, 2002, was filed, and check #033593, in the amount of \$460 was submitted therewith. Copies of the Request and check, and of the postcard receipt indicating receipt by the PTO of the documents on December 30, 2002 are attached hereto as Exhibit 2. The Request also had the incorrect serial number.

3) As soon as Applicants representative determined that there was an error in the serial number, the Amendment was again sent via facsimile, to Examiner Mohammed. The Amendment was transmitted with an explanation of the incorrect serial number, but the retransmitted Amendment identified the correct serial number. A copy of the transmittal letter and first page are attached hereto as Exhibit 3. Applicant's undersigned representative has been advised that the retransmitted Amendment was received on January 24, 2003 by the PTO and has been associated with the application.

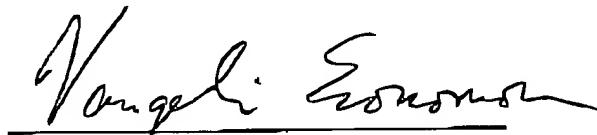
4) Original authorization for charging any additional fees was authorized in the original transmittal letter, sent together with the original application documents, on May 14, 2001. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is attached as Exhibit 4.

Therefore Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment be accepted by the USPTO as having been timely filed, and further that the originally filed Amendment be corrected in its serial number and be associated with the instant application.

Applicants further request that should it be necessary to charge the Deposit Account 12-0400, authorization for which has been granted above, that this petition be further treated as a request for a refund of the original Check No. 033593 in the amount of \$460.00, which should be credited to Deposit Account 12-0400.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: Jan. 30, 2003


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